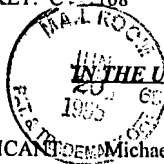


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**LETTER ACCOMPANYING ISSUE FEE PAYMENT
REGARDING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

Dear Sir:

This is a letter accompanying the issue fee payment.

It is respectfully submitted that a Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status in favor of the applicant was filed on April 15, 1994 together with a request for a partial refund of the government filing fee. The Patent Office acknowledged receipt of these materials by date-stamping the return postcard (copies enclosed).

The refund was granted by the Patent Office as shown in the attached copy of applicant's attorney's Monthly Statement of Deposit Account dated July 31, 1994.

It is respectfully submitted that the Patent Office has already acknowledged receipt of the Small Entity Statements of the applicant and therefor the issue fee being paid at this time is being paid at the small entity rate.

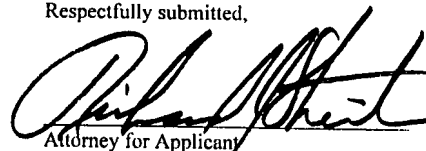
However, if the Office believes the applicant is not entitled to claim small entity status, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0400 in the amount of the additional fee required for payment of the issue fee.

A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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